

waters aforesaid, or if any such boat propelled by engine or sail shall be proven to have moved in the direction of such water fowl so bedded, for purpose of causing such water fowl to fly from the place or waters in which they shall have been then and there bedded, such fact or facts, or any of them, shall be accepted as *prima facie* evidence of an intentional violation of the provisions of this section on the part of each person on board of such boat, and of the ownership of such boat and of the guns and paraphernalia thereon by the persons so convicted.

(c) Each and every person on board of any boat by or from which water fowl shall be unnecessarily disturbed or in which water fowl shall be hunted, or from which water fowl shall be shot at in violation of the provisions of this Section, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof each person convicted shall be fined not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense, and in addition to such fine or fines all boats used by said offenders and the guns and paraphernalia found in or on such boats or in possession of such persons so convicted, or used in such violation of the provisions of this Section, shall be adjudged confiscated, and shall be disposed of by the Game Warden as he may deem advisable for the best interests of the State.

1927, ch. 568, sec. 39. 1929, ch. 366, sec. 39.

40. All owners of riparian rights, their lessees or licensees on the waters of this State shall, by virtue of said ownership, be first entitled to make a choice of the "set" or position in front of the property of which they are the owners of the riparian rights, lessees or licensees, for the purpose to erect, set or maintain booby, brush or stake blind or blinds, provided, that said riparian owners, their lessees or licensees shall avail themselves of said choice of localities and clearly mark the same on said waters by erecting a stake, on which shall appear the license number of each blind and the licensee's name as hereinafter provided on or before October 10th of each and every year, and said blind or blinds licensed prior to October 10th must be erected on or before November 10th and said blind or blinds licensed after November 10th must be erected on or before twenty days thereafter, except as herein provided.

(a) For the protection of shoreowners, their lessees or licensees, desiring to locate a blind or blinds on their shore, the purchase of a license as herein provided and the establishment of a stake on which shall be painted the license number and the name of the licensee, such stake not to exceed the lawful distance from shore and be established in the water, when said stake shall be established on or before October 10th, then said stake shall be termed as a blind as hereinafter provided.

(b) No booby, brush or stake blind shall be licensed or erected in the waters of Chester River and its tributaries within the jurisdiction of Kent County except Grey's Inn Creek, Comegy's Bight and between a line drawn from Beaver Dam in Hail Creek, Kent County, to Stoney Bar Bluff at the mouth of Jackson's Creek in Queen Anne's County, and Drum